(b) A commercial contract has been signed with M/s General Electric for supply of a limited number of engines.

Offer of US Defence Secretary to sell LCA to India

2328 SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state·

(a) whether it is a fact that the US Defence Secretary, during his recent visit to India, had agreed to sell the Light Combat Aircraft to India,

(b) what are the conditions attached to it, and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH) (a) No, Sir

(b) and (c) Do not arise

Discussions between the Prime Minister and the U S Defence Secretary

2329 SHRI B SATYANARAYAN REDDY
SHRI KAPIL VERMA·
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) whether the US Defence Secretary Mr Casper Weinberger during his recent visit to New Delhi had held talks with the Prime Minister and other leaders of India on wide-ranging subjects relating to defence, co-production of military equipment, relationship between the defence forces of the two countries, offer of selling weapons systems, including induction of sophisticated US Technology;

(b) if so, what are the details of the discussions held, the issues agreed upon and the sale and transfer of US weapons and military-related technologies etc to India, the safeguards expected by the US for the transfer of technology and the Indian reaction thereto,

(c) whether the Government of India had brought to the notice of the US Secretary of Defence the danger of supplying sophisticated weapons to Pakistan by US and Pakistan's nuclear programme, endangering the peace in the sub-continent, and

(d) if so, what was the reaction of US Defence Secretary in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH) (a) to (d) The US Defence Secretary Mr Casper Weinberger called on the Prime Minister on October 11, 1986 The discussions covered a wide range of subjects including review of the international situation and the security environment in the sub-continent Mr Weinberger conveyed the interest of the US Government in the maintenance of peace and stability in the sub-continent No discussions took place on the relationship of Defence Forces or purchase of weapon system.

Enquiry into security lapses involved in attempt on life of Director General of Punjab Police

2330 SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD
SHRI T CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether an enquiry has been made into the security lapses involved in the terrorists' attempt on the life of Punjab Director General of Police in the first week of October, 1986,

(b) if so, the details of the enquiry indicating the findings thereof, and